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Treasury Department,

Enclosures.

Office of the Supervising Architect,

Washington, D. C.,

April 1, 1896.

To the Custodian,

Mint of United States,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I enclose herewith copies of reports made by Inspector Roberts and Mr. Adams of this office, of their examinations of vault "C" in the building in your custody, and in which they recommend that a board ceiling, with air-space above the same, be placed in the vault, the entire court be covered with a half inch (0' 1/2") thick coat of Neuchatel asphalt, and other repairs to floors and corridors.

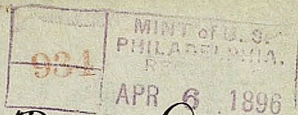
You are requested to immediately take proposals for the performance of the work in question, and to forward them here with your recommendations.

Respectfully yours,

*W. M. Aiken*  
Supervising Architect.

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Superintending Architect  
Washington  
D.C.

April 1<sup>st</sup> / 1896

W.M. Allen Superintending Architect

Transmitting the  
 reports of Inspector  
 Roberts and Mr  
 Adams on condition  
 of Vault "C" requesting  
 the taking of proposals  
 and recommendations  
 on the work to be  
 performed.

Recd. Apr. 15 " 1896

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Substituting Vaulting

[Abstract:] Transmitting the reports of Inspection...

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You are requested to immediately take proposals for the performance of the work in question, and to forward them here with your recommendations.

Respectfully yours,  
W.M. Aiken  
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Treasury Department,

Office of the Supervising Architect,

Copy.

Washington, D. C., March 31, 1896.

To the Supervising Architect,

Treasury Department.

Sir:

In accordance with your request of the 24th instant, I have, on the 28th instant, visited vault "C" of the Philadelphia Mint building, and with Mr. Herman Kretz, Custodian of the building, made a thorough examination of same and have the honor to report that I fully concur in the report made by Inspector Roberts on March 5th, 1896; viz, to have a ~~broad~~ <sup>ceiling</sup> ceiling with air space above same, placed in vault "C" and also have the entire pavement of the court covered with a half inch (0' 1/2") thick coat of neuchatel asphalt in a first class manner, picking the present surface sufficiently to afford proper bond. Walls and ceiling of vault should be pointed and floor of corridors repaved where necessary. The work is very urgent and hence I recommend that Custodian be authorized to have same done at once.

Vault "C" is now provided with a vent flue which, however, is ineffective as no air inlet is provided and hence no circulation is obtained. To provide air inlets I recommend that two or three inch (0' 3") air inlets be placed on each side of vault door in the same manner as arranged for the other vaults. The latter work should be



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The circulation of air will keep vault in proper condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Adams.

Heating and Ventilating Engineer.



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Office Supervising Architect.

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To the Supervising Architect.

Report on condition of vault  
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